





REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE **EXAMINING GROUP 2157**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title:

Persistent Repository for

On-Demand Node Creation

for Fabric Devices

Examiner:

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RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION OF MAY 31, 2005

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Action of May 31, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.